

Reservation in private Deemed Universities

1228. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether private unaided Deemed Universities are reluctant to provide reservations to creamy layer among the OBCs; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No such information has come to the notice of the Central Government.

(b) Does not arise.

Report on education for children

1229. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether UNESCO's Education for All Global Monitoring Report gives very poor grades to India when it comes to educating its children;

(b) whether these grades are in the complete contrast to the regularly monitoring and updated figures of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan;

(c) whether Government have taken up the matter the UNESCO;

(d) the steps proposed by Government for giving correct picture of the education scenario to the people of the country; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) The UNESCO Education for All Global Monitoring Report-2007 is not India specific. However, references have been made in India throughout the Report. As per the report India ranks 99th in the list with a composite Education for All Development Index (EDI) of 0.789.

UNESCO has taken note of overall improvement in the education situation in India by giving an increased EDI, which reflects 6.5% increase in value between 2003 and 2004, from 0.741 to 0.789.

Referring to a Nation-wide Sample Survey on out of school children by the Social and Rural Research Institute in 2005, the report says that